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Colorado selected to participate in digital driver license pilot

November 15, 2016 - DENVER - Colorado's Division of Motor Vehicles has been selected to participate in a pilot program to develop a smartphone-based credential that will serve as a secure digital version of the physical Colorado driver license.

This two-year program will be funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). Participants include Gemalto, Inc., Colorado, Idaho, Maryland and Washington, D.C.

"We are very excited about this opportunity to embrace new technology," said Department of Revenue Executive Director Barbara Brohl. "The Division of Motor Vehicles is constantly looking for ways to improve customer convenience and make our services easily accessible for all residents, and this is certainly a step in that direction."

The pilot also aims to improve the way that people can securely and conveniently present and prove their identities to businesses and government entities.

"To best protect the people of Colorado, we must recognize and reward innovative solutions, and use state-of-the-art technology to keep any sensitive information secure and private," Brohl said.

The pilot program is entitled the "Interoperable, Trusted Ecosystem for Digital Driver Licenses and ID Cards on Mobile Devices for U.S. Jurisdictions" project.

More information will become available as the details of the pilot program are coordinated.

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